

Arkansas

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs

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Arkansas Hog Inventory on March 1, 2008, Up 3 Percent from December 1, 2007

Arkansas inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2008, totaled 300,000 head, up 3 percent from December 1, 2007. Breeding hog inventory, at 90,000 head, was up 5,000 head, and market hog inventory, at 210,000 head, was up 5,000 head from December 1, 2007. For the December 2007 – February 2008 quarter, the pig crop totaled 413,000 head, up 12 percent from the same quarter in 2007. Sows farrowed during this quarter were 43,000 head and represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. Arkansas hog producers intend to farrow 43,000 sows during the March – May 2008 quarter, up 4,000 head from the actual farrowings for this period in 2007. The average number of pigs saved per litter for the December 2007 – February 2008 quarter was

9.6 head, up 0.15 head from the same period last year.

Hog and Pig Inventory, Arkansas and U.S., March 1, 2008

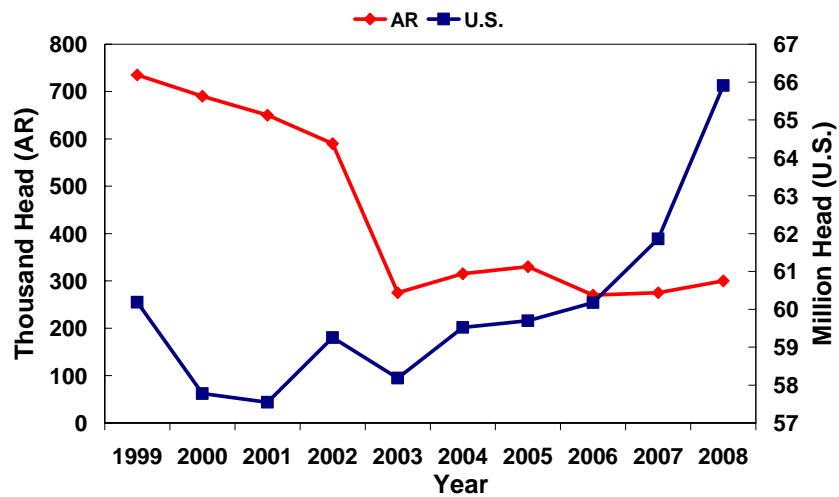
Class	Arkansas				United States			
	March 1, 2007	Dec. 1, 2007	March 1, 2008	March '08 as % of March '07	March 1, 2007	Dec. 1, 2007	March 1, 2008	March '08 as % of March '07
	1,000 Head				1,000 Head			
All Hogs and Pigs	275	290	300	109	61,860	66,963	65,909	107
Breeding	85	85	90	106	6,110	6,161	6,138	100
Market	190	205	210	111	55,749	60,801	59,770	107
Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight								
Under 60 Pounds	140	150	160	114	20,381	21,912	21,897	107
60-119 Pounds	20	20	15	75	13,356	14,714	14,291	107
120-179 Pounds	15	15	10	67	11,679	12,607	12,443	107
180 Pounds and Over	15	20	25	167	10,334	11,569	11,140	108

Hog and Pig Inventory, Arkansas, Neighboring States, and U.S., March 1, 2008¹

State	All Hogs & Pigs		Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight Class			
	Breeding	Market	< 60 lbs	60-119 lbs	120-179 lbs	180 lbs & Over
	1,000 Head					
Arkansas	90	210	160	15	10	25
Missouri	380	2,670	1,240	495	510	425
Oklahoma	360	1,970	970	300	220	480
Texas	115	965	330	190	200	245
United States	6,138	59,770	21,897	14,291	12,443	11,140

¹ Neighboring States do not include LA, MS, and TN due to being grouped into "Other States" in the National Estimate.

Hog & Pig Inventory, Arkansas & U.S., March 1, 1999-2008



Market Hog Inventory by Weight Group, Arkansas, March 1, 2004-2008

